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Pursuant to Idaho Division of Purchasing Rule 42.10 (IDAPA 38.05.01.42.10), a determination has been made that competitive solicitation procedures are impractical, disadvantageous, and unreasonable when applied to:

- Special educational discounts offered by vendors exclusively to schools, colleges, universities, and other educational institutions where the property is for the express purpose of educating students. Property includes, but is not limited to such things as computer software and hardware, audio, video, or printed publications, testing and instructional equipment and related supplies, or other specialized training equipment and supplies.
- 2. This exemption from competitive solicitation is limited to the delegated purchasing authority of the educational institution and shall in no instance exceed \$50,000 without written approval from the Division of Purchasing.

The requirement for competitive solicitations pursuant to statute and rules for these purchases is waived. Purchasers are cautioned to use prudent business judgment. The goal is to maximize the value of the benefit commensurate with the degree of effort, time available, and price reasonableness.

This exemption shall be effective until this policy directive is rescinded or replaced.

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